

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

In claim ~~1~~, line 6 please delete "zone" and substitute --period--.

In claim ~~2~~, lines 6 and 7 delete "zone" and substitute --period--.

In claim ~~3~~, lines 7 and 8 please delete "zone" and substitute --period--.

In claim ~~4~~, lines 14, 15, and 16 delete "zone" and substitute --period--.

In claim ~~5~~, lines 6, 7 and 9 please delete "zone" and substitute --period--.

In claim ~~6~~, lines 6 and 9 please delete "zone" and substitute --period--.

In claim ~~6~~, line 10 please delete "zones" and substitute --periods--.

In claim ~~7~~, line 3 delete "zone" and substitute --period--; and on line 4 delete "zones" and substitute --periods--.

In claim 8, line 3 delete "zone" and substitute --period--.

In claim 9, line 3 delete "zone" and substitute --period--.

In claim 11, line 5 delete "zone" and substitute --period--.

In claim 12, lines ~~5~~ and ~~6~~ delete "zone" and substitute --period--; and on line 7 delete "zones" and substitute --periods--.

In claim 13, lines ~~5~~, ~~6~~, ~~9~~, and ~~11~~ delete "zone" and substitute --period--.

In claim 13, lines ~~7~~ and ~~11~~ delete "zones" and substitute --periods--.

REMARKS

The above amendments and the following remarks are fully and completely responsive to the Office Action dated October 12, 2000. Claims 1-9 and 11-13 are pending